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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-55 are pending in the application. Claim 1 is being amended in bold, underlined text in accordance with claim amendments agreed upon during an Examiner's Interview on November 13, 2003. Applicant's thank Examiner for suggestions offered during the Examiner's Interview. Claims 11, 21, 31, 41, and 53 are being amended in a similar manner, as also agreed upon during the Examiner's Interview. Claim 53 is further being amended in accordance with claim limitations ("adapted to being transported on a carrier wave") agreed upon in a telephone call with Examiner Edelman on October 16, 2003 and during the Examiner's Interview. Claim 53 is also further being amended to remove claim limitations ("to identify a test corresponding to the test URL, the test executed to resolve the host name in the test URL to an IP address of the network element making the request") added in part in an Amendment filed August 11, 2003 and a Supplemental Amendment filed September 18, 2003 in favor of amendments consistent with the amendments of Claim 1.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims (Claims 1-55) are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
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